



Construction Skills for Employment (Formwork)

The Construction Skills for Employment (Formwork) Programme, offers the opportunity for unemployed people to gain – over a 26 week period – the skills, qualifications and experience for a career in construction.

Structure:

- The programme begins with 8 weeks at the National Construction Training Centre in Mount Lucas where trainees will be given the skills and knowledge necessary to begin work on a construction site – with an emphasis on health and safety and the acquisition of relevant CSCS Cards.
- The next 8 weeks consists of on the job training with registered building (sub)contractors where the skills acquired during the initial training period will be utilised in a work environment.
- Specific Skills Development (Formwork in this initial programme) follows for 8 weeks with a blended approach between off the job and on the job training. Trainees will complete their assessments on-site during this period and gain an internationally recognised City and Guilds Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Formwork (equivalent to Level 4 on the National Standards Framework).
- The final two weeks allows an opportunity for individual trainees to complete their work and for all trainees to develop their work ready skills.

This qualification prepares trainees for work in the construction industry, with a specific focus on formwork. It is intended that subsequent training opportunities will be offered in steel fixing and other elements of construction work.

Additionally if trainees wish to progress to become a supervisor working on site they may opt to study any of the following City and Guild qualifications: Levels 3 and 4 NVQ Diploma in Occupational Work Supervision (Construction) and Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Construction Site Management (Construction)



Overall Programme Title: Construction Skills for Employment (Formwork) Programme

Main award:

**City & Guilds - Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Formwork
6580-02**

Units: 101, 218, 608, 735, 736 - all mandatory

Modules from another award:

**City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Construction Operations - General Construction
6709-22**

Unit 201/601, Unit 202/602, Unit 227, Unit 229 - all mandatory

A total of 24 credits from the required 35 City & Guild level 2 credits for the Certificate in Construction Operations 6709-22 is available through completion of this programme.

Please note:

To obtain the full award in Construction Operations, trainees must complete Unit K/504/7011 228 Lay Domestic Drainage. This unit is not offered on this programme.

Other:

- Use of hoists – Mobile Elevated Work Platforms
 - Preparing and operating boom-type Mobile Elevating Work Platform – MEWP – in the workplace
 - Preparing and operating scissor-type Mobile Elevating Work Platform – MEWP – in the workplace
 - Preparing and operating mast climber-type Mobile Elevating Work Platform – MEWP – in the workplace
- Safepass
- Manual Handling
- Measuring & Levelling (non assessed)
- Small Tools (non assessed)
- Safe Use of Ladders (non assessed)
- Erection and use of Mobile Aluminium Towers (CSCS Mobile Access Tower Operations)
- CSCS - Slinger/Signaller Operations for New Entrants
- Abrasive Wheels
- First Aid
- Career Planning / Personal Development / Preparation for work (non assessed)

For referral this programme please contact your local DSP office.

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